

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE | COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN
BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS IN GRAPHIC DESIGN | 4 YEAR CURRICULUM 2020-2021

GRDS

(42)
 Graphic Design Studio

(12)
 Art / Design History / Theory

(12)
 Art Studio Electives

(19)
 Design / Professional Electives

(37)
 General Education Requirements

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YEAR ONE		YEAR TWO		YEAR THREE			YEAR FOUR	
FALL (15)	SPRING (16)	FALL (15)	SPRING (16)	FALL (14)	SPRING (13)	SUMMER (3)	FALL (17)	SPRING (16)
FOUNDATIONS		DESIGN PROCESS & METHODS		RESEARCH & COMPLEXITY			SYSTEMS & CAPSTONE	
GRDS 101 Meaning-making in Design (3)	GRDS 103 Principles, Processes Applications of Design (3)	GRDS 271 Principles and Concept Development (3)	GRDS 272 Visual Theory & Design Theories (3)	GRDS 371R Intermediate Study & Research Methodologies (4)	GRDS 372 Intermediate Study & Representing Information (4)		GRDS 471 Advanced Design Investigations (4)	GRDS 472R Self-Directed Project (OC) (4)
GRDS 102 Design as visual message-making (3)	GRDS 200 Portfolio Review (0)	GRDS 255 Principles of Typography Visual Communication (3)	GRDS 256 Interactive & Screen-Based Design (4)	GRDS 355 Expanded principles of Typography (4)				
	GRDS 150 The Idea of Design (AH) (3)				ART/ARCH Any upper division Art or Design history (3)			
ARTH 172/177 ^H Western Art: Ancient - Medieval (AH) (3)	ARTHLD 100-level Art History course (AH) (3)	Art Studio Elec 2D, 3D or 4D 200-level or above (3)	Art Studio Elec 2D, 3D or 4D 200-level or above (3)	Art Studio Elec 2D, 3D or 4D 200-level or above (3)	Art Studio Elec 2D, 3D or 4D 200-level or above (3)			GRDS 452 Professional Seminar (3)
						GRDS 444/444R Undergraduate Research (4)		
						<i>AND/OR</i>	<i>AND/OR</i>	<i>AND/OR</i>
					GRDS 451 Practicum 45 working hours = 1 CH // If Knoxville, must be minimum of two different employers (7)			
					GRDS Design/Professional Elective (3)	<i>OR</i> GRDS 491 International Study (3)	GRDS Design/Professional Elective (3)	GRDS Design/Professional Elective (3)
ENGL 101/118 ^H (WC) (3)	ENGL 102 (WC) (3)	ELECTIVE (CC) (3)	ELECTIVE (CC) (3)	ELECTIVE (WC) (3)			ELECTIVE (SS) (3)	ELECTIVE (SS) (3)
ELECTIVE (QR) (3)	ELECTIVE (NSwL) (4)	OPEN ELEC (3)	ELECTIVE (QR) (3)				ELECTIVE (NS) (3)	ELECTIVE (SS) (3)
min 12 CH	ENGL 101	Pass GRDS 200 Min 30 CH	ENGL 102	Min 60 CH	9 UD hours (300-400 level)		24 UD hours (300-400 level)	42 UD hours (300-400 level)

(122) TOTAL CH

(CH)
 REQUIRED COURSE
 (ELEC/GEN ED)

Required Gen Ed for
 BFA GD Program

GENERAL EDUCATION CATEGORIES
 (AH) Arts & Humanities
 (CC) Cultures & Civilizations
 (NS) Natural Science
 (NSwL) Nat'l Science with Lab
 (OC) Oral Communication
 (QR) Quantitative Reasoning
 (SS) Social Science
 (WC) Writing Comprehension